

**Mini-Symposium on
Mechanics of Granular Media**
Experiment – Theory – Modelling

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Dear Colleagues:

In view of your outstanding contributions to granular mechanics, you are invited to participate in the Mini-Symposium, **Mechanics of Granular Media**, which will take place in Madrid, Spain, from July 6 – 10, 2015 as part of the 9th European Solid Mechanics Conference (ESMC 2015). This Mini-Symposium is organised by Erich Bauer, Felix Darve and Joe Goddard, who propose the following subtopics:

- **Experiment:** including advanced technics for field and laboratory measurements
- **Theory:** including micromechanics and homogenization, static and dynamic loading processes, solid-fluid interactions, granular flow and particle size segregation, material instabilities, failure modes, particle crushing and other rheological properties
- **Modelling:** in dry, saturated and unsaturated conditions based on continuum and discrete methods

The deadline for abstracts submission is **November 15th, 2014**, but owing to the appeal and selective character of the mini-symposium, we strongly encourage prospective participants to start this process as soon as possible. For more details about the conference venue and abstract submission please visit the website: <http://www.esmc2015.org/>

We would greatly appreciate receiving your reply at your earliest convenience. Please notify Erich Bauer by email at erich.bauer@tugraz.at of your desire to participate with tentative title of your proposed presentation.

We look forward to seeing you in Madrid in July 2015.
Best regards,

Erich Bauer, Félix Darve and Joe Goddard
Organisers of the Mini-Symposium on Mechanics of Granular Media